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Letter dated 24 August 2018 from the Permanent Representative of Yemen to the United Nations addressed to the President of the Security Council

Upon instruction from my Government, I am writing to you with regard to the meeting held on 19 August 2018 between Hassan Nasrallah, the Secretary-General of Hezbollah, and Mohammed Abdulsalam, Head of the Houthi coup delegation to the United Nations-led Geneva talks that will be held on 6 September 2018. In this regard, I would like to draw your attention to the following points:

- The Government of Yemen expresses its concern about the above-mentioned meeting, which confirmed, with no doubt, that Houthi rebels are subject to the instructions of the Hezbollah terrorist party that aims to distract the negotiation led by the United Nations.
- The clear intervention of the Iranian regime and Hezbollah in the upcoming initiative consultations by providing Houthi rebels with instructions to thwart this negotiation as well as terminate the considerable and appreciated efforts of the Special Envoy of the Secretary-General to restore peace in Yemen. The international community and the Special Envoy should be taking notice of this issue and be very concerned. Previous talks in Geneva, Biel and Kuwait witnessed such outrageous practices through the attendance of Iranian and Hezbollah representatives during all the meetings.
- During the televised speech delivered by the Secretary-General of Hezbollah on 29 June 2018, in which he incited to fight Yemeni Government forces in the west coast of the Republic of Yemen, he expressed his and his militias' wish to fight in Yemen for the sake of Houthi rebels and to support the militias against the internationally recognized Legitimate Government, in a clear attempt to mobilize the coup militias.
- The Iranian regime and Hezbollah, who are strong partners in the shedding of blood of the Yemeni people, in blatant interference in the internal affairs of the Republic of Yemen and aggression against its Legitimate Government and neighbouring countries, are directly responsible for the threats to regional and international peace and security.
- Hezbollah's transfer of advisers and military instructors to the Houthi coup is widely evident and continues to pose a serious regional and global threat, as has been reflected in the violation of the implementation of Security Council resolution 1701 (2006). Therefore, I ask the Council, through the Security Council Committee established pursuant to resolution 2140 (2014), to investigate, within

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its mandate, Hezbollah's activities that pose a serious threat to Yemen and to take appropriate measures.

I should be grateful if you could have the present letter circulated to all members of the Security Council and issued as a document of the Security Council.

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Permanent Representative